

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 2007-255-C and 2007-256-C - ORDER NO. 2008-16

JANUARY 22, 2008

IN RE: Docket No. 2007-255-C – Petition for	)	ORDER GRANTING
Approval of Nextel South Corp.’s Adoption	)	MOTION TO WITHDRAW
of the Interconnection Agreement between	)	AS COUNSEL AND
Sprint Communications L.P., Sprint	)	GRANTING
Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS and	)	SUBSTITUTION
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a	)	
AT&T South Carolina d/b/a AT&T	)	
Southeast	)	
	)	
and	)	
	)	
Docket No. 2007-256-C – Petition for	)	
Approval of NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel	)	
Partners’ Adoption of the Interconnection	)	
Agreement between Sprint Communications	)	
L.P., Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS	)	
and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.	)	
d/b/a AT&T South Carolina d/b/a AT&T	)	
Southeast	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the Motion to Withdraw and to Substitute Counsel filed by J. Jeffrey Pascoe of Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC (“WCSR”). Mr. Pascoe moves that this Commission permit his law firm and him to withdraw as counsel of record for Nextel South Corp. and NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners (“Petitioners”). Mr. Pascoe further moves to substitute John J. Pringle, Jr., of Ellis, Lawhorne & Sims, P.A. (“Ellis Lawhorne”) as counsel of record for the Petitioners in this consolidated proceeding

regarding the Petitioners' request for approval of the adoption of the interconnection agreement between Sprint Communications L.P., Sprint Spectrum L.P. d/b/a Sprint PCS ("Sprint") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina d/b/a AT&T Southeast ("AT&T").

According to Mr. Pascoe, there would be no material adverse effect on the Petitioners by the withdrawal of his law firm and himself as counsel of record because this proceeding is still in the early stages and because the Commission will not hold a hearing on this matter until January 31, 2008. Additionally, Mr. Pringle and Ellis Lawhorne, through Mr. Pascoe's Motion, give notice of their appearance on behalf of the Petitioners in this matter.

After examining the record in this matter, we find that there would be no material adverse effect or prejudice to the Petitioners, to Sprint, to AT&T, or to the Office of Regulatory Staff in granting the Motion. Accordingly, we grant Mr. Pascoe's Motion on behalf of his law firm and himself to withdraw as counsel in this proceeding. We further grant the Motion to substitute John J. Pringle, Jr., Esquire, of Ellis, Lawhorne and Sims, P.A. as counsel in this consolidated case.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

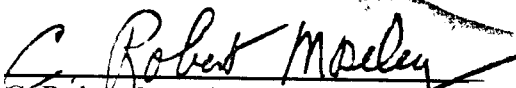
BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



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G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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